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ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I- 93-84

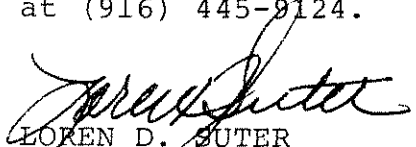
TO: ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ADOPTION AGENCIES
ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL SDSS ADOPTION DISTRICT OFFICES

SUBJECT: Canadian Indian Children

The attached letter from the Department of Community Services and Corrections in Manitoba, Canada is for your information. This agency is interested in contacting Canadian children placed in the United States for adoption who have experienced a disrupted placement with the possibility of repatriating the child with his/her extended family and/or community of origin in Manitoba.

If you are aware of any Canadian Indian child whose adoptive placement has been disrupted or who is receiving child welfare services, you might consider the agency indicated in the attached letter as a resource.

If you have any questions on this issue, please contact Mr. Tom Burke at (916) 445-9124.


LOREN D. BUTER
Deputy Director
Adult and Family Services Division

Attachment

cc: CWDA

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DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY SERVICES AND CORRECTIONS
Child and Family Services
Telephone: 944-6964
831 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba
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July 3, 1984

Adoptions Branch
Adult and Family Services Division
Department of Social Services
744 P Street
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Sirs:

For over a decade, child welfare agencies in the province of Manitoba were placing certain children for adoption in the United States. Many of these children were of Indian descent. In the spring of 1982, the government of Manitoba established a moratorium on out of province placement of native children for the purpose of adoption.

We are becoming increasingly aware that many of these out-of-province placements have experienced a disruption in their adoption and may be under the care and supervision of state agencies. We are also aware that many of these native children are returning to Canada in search of their families and communities of origin to re-establish their identity or may have been in contact with Indian agencies within the United States.

There are presently five Indian Child and Family Service agencies providing child and family services to the Registered Indian population in the province of Manitoba. In addition, the Manitoba Metis Federation is developing a province-wide capacity in child and family services for persons of native ancestry who are not Registered Indians. As a result, we now have the capacity to develop placement resources within the native communities.

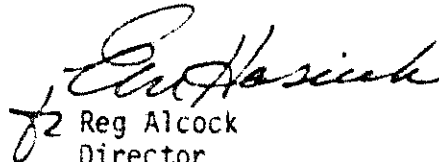
If your agency has a Registered Indian or Metis child in your care who is originally from Manitoba or, if you know of such a child from Manitoba who is in the care of an agency, we request that you contact our office in order that we can assist in planning for the child and consider the option of repatriating the child to his or her extended family and/or community of origin in Manitoba.

For further information, please write or call:

Native Resource Coordinator
Child and Family Support
831 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba
CANADA R3G 0N6

(Telephone: 204/944-6952).

Yours truly,


Reg Alcock
Director
Child and Family Support

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